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SUBJECT: FIVE DEAD, DOZENS WOUNDED IN JERUSALEM BULLDOZER

ATTACK

Classified By: Consul General Jake Walles, per reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

- 11. (C) Local press and police reported four Israelis dead and 36 wounded after a Palestinian resident of East Jerusalem on a bulldozer attacked several cars and toppled a public bus in downtown Jerusalem shortly after noon on July 2. As of 3:00 local time, Post had no reports of American citizen casualties in the attack.
- 12. (C) Israeli police contacts informed RSO that the bulldozer was driven by Hussam Duweik, a Palestinian resident of East Jerusalem working on the Jerusalem lightrail project. Duweik reportedly removed the bulldozer from the lightrail construction site on Jaffa Street where he worked and drove a short distance against traffic, hitting several cars and a bus. Local press reported that an off-duty soldier shot and killed Duweik in the cab of the bulldozer.
- 13. (C) Police contacts told ConGen they have received no claims of responsibility for the attack from terrorist organizations.

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